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SUBJ: SWAPO PRESS RELEASE ON "SHUTTLE DIPLOMACY"

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF SEPT 17 SWAPO PRESS RELEASE:

QUOTE:

DR. KISSINGER: CAN "SHUTTLE DIPLOMACY BRING UHURU TO NAMIBIA?

1. IS THERE ANY ROOM AT THIS STAGE FOR THIS "SHUTTLE DIPLOMACY" GIVEN THE DEVKILIST INTRANSIGENCE OF VORSTER REGIME TO RELINQUISH POWER IN NAMIBIA AND SWAPO'S TOTAL COMMITMENT SUPPORTED AND ABETTED NOW MOST CONCERTEDLY BY THE "FRONT-LINE COUNTRIES" TO INTENSIFY IN SCOPE AND CONTENT THE ARMED STRUGGLE TO DISLODGE THAT FOREIGN DOMINATION AND EXPLOITATION?

2. THE VALUE OF DR. KISSINGER'S MUCH PUBLICISED AFRICAN
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"INITIATIVES" LIE ESSENTIALLY IN THE REALM OF POLITICAL

RHOTORIC AND DIPLOMATIC WINDOW-DRESSING IN LINE WITH THE CURRENT PRESIDENTIAL POLITICS HERE AND ALSO TO FIND PLACE FOR HIM IN THE ANNALS OF HISTORY AS A BENEVOLENT PEACE-MAKER.

3. WE HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO DISCERN ANY CHANGE OF ATTITUDE BY VORSTER INDICATING A SERIOUS AND HONEST COMMITMENT TO WITHDRAW HIS COLONIAL, ILLEGAL ADMINISTRATION FROM NAMIBIA; IN SPITE OF (OR SHALL WE SAY BECAUSE OF) THE TWO KISSINGER - VORSTER MEETINGS IN EUROPE. VORSTER REMAINS FOREVER UNYIELDING AND INTRANSIGENT. NOTWITHSTANDING, THE CLEAR REJECTION AND CONDEMNATION BY THE MASSES, SWAPO AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY OF THE TURNHALLE TRIBAL EXERCISE IN WINDHOEK INSTIGATED, FINANCED AND CONVENED BY HIS OCCUPATION REGIME, VORSTER HAS APPARENTLY SUCCEEDED IN CAJOLING DR. KISSINGER INTO EMBRACING THIS SINISTER PLAN TO IMPOSE A PUPPET REGIME IN NAMIBIA. THIS CANNOT AND IS NOT A PEACEFUL SOLUTION. RATHER, IT IS A DANGEROUS MOVE THAT WILL FURTHER AGGRAVATE THE SITUATION AND LEAD TO A BLOODY CIVIL WAR. THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THIS THEN WOULD BE SOUTH AFRICA'S AND HER WESTERN ALLIES' WHO MAKE LOFTY PROMISES BUT COLLABORATE OTHERWISE IN EVIL SCHEMES TO PERPETUATE THE SUFFERINGS OF OUR PEOPLE AND DEPLETION OF OUR NATIONAL RESOURCES.

4. NAMIBIAN ISSUE IS CLEAR LEGALLY, POLITICALLY AND MORALLY; IT IS UNANIMOUSLY AGREED, SAVE FOR THE OCCUPATION REGIME ITSELF, THAT SOUTH AFRICA IS IN NAMIBIA ILLEGALLY AND HAS BEEN ORDERED BY THE UNITED NATIONS TO WITHDRAW IMMEDIATELY FROM NAMIBIA SO THAT THE PEOPLE OF NAMIBIA CAN ACCEDE TO LIBERATION AND NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE.

5. VORSTER SUSTAINED AND ENCOURAGED BY THE SUPPORT OF HIS WESTERN PARTNERS HAD REFUSED TO COMPLY. SWAPO, THE SOLE AND AUTHENTIC REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PEOPLE OF NAMIBIA HAS VOWED TO FIGHT THIS COLONIAL, ILLEGAL OCCUPATION AND IMPERIALIST EXPLOITATION. BUT SWAPO ALSO SAID THAT WE ARE WILLING, PREPARED AND READY TO TALK DIRECT WITH THE OCCUPATION ADMINISTRATION OF SOUTH AFRICA SPECIFICALLY ON THE TRANSFER OF POWER TO THE PEOPLE OF NAMIBIA UNDER THE U.N. AUSPICES, UNCLASSIFIED

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WHICH HAS ASSUMED DIRECT RESPONSIBILITY OVER NAMIBIA. NATURALLY, WE CATEGORICALLY REJECT THE TURNHALLE TRIBAL TALKS UNDER ANY AND ALL CIRCUMSTANCES NOW AND IN THE FUTURE.

6. DR. KISSINGER'S SINCERITY TO SECURE GENUINE INDEPENDENCE FOR NAMIBIA, AS WE DEFINED IT, WILL DEPEND UPON HIS ABILITY TO BRING VORSTER TO THE CONFERENCE TABLE TO MEET SWAPO

FOR INDEPENDENCE TALKS. IF HE FAILS ON THAT SCORE, THEN THE U.S. MUST TRANSLATE HER "COMMITMENT TO MAJORITY RULE AND INDEPENDENCE IN NAMIBIA BY GIVING MILITARY AID TO SWAPO. THAT WOULD BE A MOST REASSURING AND CONVINCING POSITIVE POLICY.

7. IN ANY EVENT, THE WAR IS ALREADY ON IN NAMIBIA AND WE MUST CONTINUE TO RELY ON THAT OPTION AS THE ONLY EFFECTIVE AND DECISIVE ONE. MOREOVER, SWAPO'S LOGISTICAL AND STRATEGIC CAPABILITIES HAVE NOW BEEN ENHANCED TREMENDOUSLY; WE ALSO POSSES MODERN, SOPHISTICATED WEAPONS OF VARIOUS TYPES AND CAN GET MORE, IF NEED BE, FROM OUR FRIENDS. BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, WE HAVE THE OVERWHELMING SUPPORT OF THE OPPRESSED MASSES OF OUR COUNTRY. THE OCCUPATION REGIME AND ITS PUPPETS DO NOT. THIS IS WHAT WILL GUARANTEE OUR FINAL VICTORY, WHICH IS THE ONLY LOGICAL OUTCOME OF OUR STRUGGLE.

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